

TOOK HIS LIFE WITH A PISTOL

Leon H. Weathers Commits Suicide on Account of Spree and Ill Health.

DOCKERY SUCCEEDS DOCKERY

Judge Long Declares the Lease of the North Carolina Railroad Valid.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RALEIGH, N. C., April 2.—Leon H. Weathers, a Raleigh young man, 50 years old, committed suicide by shooting this morning at the home of his widowed mother, Mrs. C. H. Weathers, on Mount Street. He is survived by a wife and one sister, Mrs. John Knox, and two brothers, Joe H. and F. H. Weathers, all residents of Raleigh.

The act was provoked by ill health and despondency, brought on by periodic sprees, in which the man had indulged for several years. Until six weeks ago Mr. Weathers had been in the cotton agency of the cotton agency of McFadden and Brother, at Raleigh, N. C. He contracted the fever there which partially depleted his system. For seven or eight years he was employed by the Raleigh cotton firm of Charles E. Johnson and Company. Mr. Weathers had threatened to take his life—dread of being, as he stated himself, to be a 28-calibre pistol placed close to the brow on the left side accomplished his deadly mission. Death was not immediate.

Revenue officers Sunday afternoon raided an illicit distillery near Cumberland near Morrison's Bridge and destroyed the outfit consisting of a 50-gallon still, fermenters and beer. The scene of the operation was within two miles of a church.

Hon. Claudius Dockery was to-day sworn in as United States Marshal, to succeed Colonel H. C. Dockery. So far no changes have been announced.

California parties are in North Carolina with a view to purchasing lands for the culture of fruits in Duplin and Moore counties. This has been brought about by the systematic publicity work by the Department of Agriculture under Secretary T. K. Bruner, of that board.

Wake county Superior Court is taken up with the trial of Frank Moore, white, and Hank Burck for alleged murder and incendiarism, when the plant of the Standard Oil Company here was burned and Nightwatchman Strickland was killed. A special venire of 100 men has been summoned. Judge Long, of the Superior Court, handed down an opinion to-day in which he held that the lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad by the State to the Atlantic and North Carolina Company, by which the road extends from Goldsboro to Morehead, a distance of 30 miles. Minor stockholders sought to have the lease annulled on the ground that it was contrary to law. The State, which owns a majority of the stock, leased it in 1904. Its annual rental amounting to \$26,000.

FEDERAL COURT.

Judge L. L. Lewis Consults Witnesses in Blackburn Trial.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GREENSBORO, N. C., April 2.—In the Federal Court this afternoon Marshal J. M. Milken was sworn in for his third term, filing a forty thousand dollar bond. A. E. Holton was sworn in as district attorney, beginning his third term. B. F. Sprinkle, of Reidsville, submitted to the court his and his former sentence, two years in the Atlanta penitentiary and a thousand dollar fine was reimposed.

United States District Attorney Lewis, of Richmond, who has been selected to conduct the prosecution in the three indictments against Congressman Blackburn, trial beginning April 17th. Judge Goff presiding, is here consulting government witnesses. No cases of importance tried in either Federal or State courts, both of which are in session.

DISPENSARY WINS.

A Majority of One Hundred and Forty-two Votes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WILSON, N. C., April 2.—The dispensary election, held to-day, showed a majority of one hundred and forty-two votes, out of about eight hundred, for continuance of the dispensary after July 1st. The dispensary majority three years ago was twenty-one. The election passed off quietly; the anti-dispensary advocates realized defeat about noon and abandoned work.

Leaves Large Fortune to Church

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WOODSTOCK, VA., April 2.—The will of the late Mr. B. B. Schmitt, who estate is valued at \$50,000, has been admitted to record in the clerk's office of Shenandoah county. Judge E. D. Newman qualified as administrator, giving bond for \$5,000. Mr. Schmitt after making a few special bequests, one of which was to the town of Woodstock for \$2,000.

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SAW MILLS THICK.

Shad Are Plentiful and Selling at High Prices.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PLUM POINT, VA., April 2.—There is a small new lot of shad, the residue of his estate to the Foreign and Home Mission Societies of the Reformed Church, and the Reformed congregation at Woodstock. The church will receive about \$40,000 under his will.

There will soon be no switches with which to whip the bad boys. Mrs. Angie Farinholt, who has been very ill, is much better. Shad are very plentiful now and the fishermen have become very saucy—they hardly speak to a poor man, as prices are high.

MR. CROWELL BETTER.

Judge Waddill Awards \$2,500 in Drowning Case.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., April 2.—M. B. Crowell, Norfolk and Western News agent of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, arrived at Old Point this morning from Washington, and will remain there a month before coming back to Norfolk. Mr. Crowell is much improved in health. He has been in Ohio and Florida.

Judge Waddill, of the United States Court, awarded \$2,500 to-day to Arthur Paratt, administrator of Giovanni Paratt's estate, in his suit against the steamship Luckenbach for \$5,000 damages, and entered a decree for this amount.

Paratt was a seaman on the Luckenbach and was knocked overboard and drowned while trying to haul up the anchor when the steamer was about to sail from Lambert's Point last August.

A BOLD ATTEMPT.

Negro Smashes Window in Police Cell in Broad Daylight.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., April 2.—A bold attempt to escape from prison in broad daylight was made yesterday by Thomas Mokey, a Clarke county negro, who is charged with having held up and robbed Lloyd Moore, a white youth, of \$15 within a mile of Winchester last Thursday morning. Mokey had been held for court by Justice Wilson, and was in a cell at the police headquarters. When Officer Nevill went into the cell to take Mokey to jail, the negro smashed the window with a heavy iron bar and escaped. He was caught by the officer.

The negro was finally overpowered, placed in irons and hurried off to the city jail, where he is confined in a steel cage. He will likely be tried on three charges—"hold-up," robbery and attempted jail breaking.

LOCAL POLITICS IN PETERSBURG

Strong Rivalry for Offices to Which No Pay Is Attached.

QUICKE TO OPPOSE MASON

Health Officers, City Physicians, Delinquent Tax Collector and Cemetery and Market Keepers.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., April 2.—Local politics are waxing warm among the candidates for municipal offices, nominations for which will be made by the Council and Board of Aldermen in joint caucus next Thursday night, the election taking place at the July meeting of the two bodies. Thursday night's nominations thus being practically the final decision. No salary attaches to either the fire or police commission offices, but a number of well-known citizens are being supported for the three memberships on each board, especially the police commission, and these advocates are politicking for all they are worth.

James M. Quicke, Jr., has announced his candidacy for the city physician's office, now held by George Mason, and his friends are claiming a large number of votes in the city's legislature. Mr. Mason has held the office for several terms, and will be strongly supported for reelection.

Other officers to be chosen Thursday night, are the city health officer, and three city physicians, delinquent tax collector, keeper of the cemetery and keeper of the market.

NEW POSTMASTER.

Happy Remembrances to the Outgoing and Welcome to Incoming.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ALEXANDRIA, VA., April 2.—Outgoing Postmaster Joseph L. Crupper, who for eight years has been at the head of the postal service at Alexandria, was this afternoon presented with a handsome candelabra by the employees of the local office.

During the term of office of Mr. Crupper the postoffice building has been greatly enlarged and many postal facilities added. The number of clerks at the office has been increased to six and several new carriers added. The system of rural free delivery for this section has also been added during his administration.

Postmaster Thomas Burroughs, who assumed control of the office yesterday, found numerous handsome floral tributes upon his desk upon entering the postmaster's room. The flowers were gifts of the employees of the office, and the friends of the new postmaster. Seldom, if ever, has a new postmaster entered upon his duties with such expressions of good will from all classes of Alexandrians as have been extended to Mr. Burroughs.

From his services as assistant postmaster, which covered a term of more than thirty years, he has become more fully identified with the affairs of the Alexandria postoffice than had any of his predecessors, and his many friends are glad to have him at the head of the office.

Mr. Burroughs has appointed as his assistant, Mr. James B. Johnson, formerly assistant collector of customs for Alexandria.

CHILD CREMATED.

Went Back Into Burning House After Being Taken Out.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SUPELICK, VA., April 2.—A boy, Whaley Allen, was burned, along with his three-year-old son, Eddie, who perished within a few feet of his mother, and while she sought frantically to save him by breaking through a window. Only three children were in the house when the fire started. The two larger ones first rescued Edward and got him on the porch.

YOUNG ROCKEFELLER CALMS EXCITEMENT IN BIBLE CLASS

Self-Possession Twice Put to Test During Session at Fifth-Avenue Church on Sunday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, April 2.—The self-possession of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., was twice put to the test at yesterday's session of his Bible class at the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church.

Mr. Rockefeller was addressing the class on the subject of the observance of the Sabbath, when he noticed a man sitting in the second row grow suddenly very pale and gasp for breath.

Called Physician. Mr. Rockefeller saw that something was wrong. Without displaying any evidence of excitement, he called: "Dr. Foot! Dr. Foot!" and pointed to the suffering man.

Dr. E. M. Foote, of No. 150 West Forty-eighth Street, a member of the class, hastily went over to the sufferer. Several men rose to their feet in alarm, but Mr. Rockefeller, waving his hand for them to sit down, went on with his subject. For the next two minutes the speaker's remarks were punctuated by the choking sounds of the stricken man, as the physician and another member loosened his collar and worked over him; but Mr. Rockefeller gave no evidence of seeing or hearing, and coolly kept on with his subject.

Dr. Foote said afterward that the man had fainted and was gasping for breath.

Wild Man Talks. The second incident was in the nature of comedy. After his discourse, Mr. Rockefeller invited discussion of the subject. An eccentric looking man, with very much hair on his face, rose to his feet and pulled a manuscript from his pocket. There was a wildness in his eyes.

Mr. Rockefeller at once scented trouble. He is quick to scent trouble. "Are you going to speak strictly on the subject under discussion, my friend?" he inquired, nervously.

"Yes, yes!" replied the much bewitched stranger, eagerly. Before Mr. Rockefeller could say any more the man began to read from his manuscript as follows: in a high pitched voice.

"Two years ago I became very much troubled over this question of the Sabbath day. I was in doubt as to whether the seventh or the first day of the week should be observed. One Friday night I was pondering deeply on the subject, when a vision came to me. I saw the gates of heaven open. A flaming sword flashed across the skies. I saw spirits in the shape of men, clad all in white.

struggling desperately with spirits in the form of men, clad in black. The struggle was tremendous. Suddenly a voice from heaven called to me: 'It is the seventh day, and not the first, that thou must observe as the Sabbath.' Since then I have been no more in doubt. That was my first vision."

"Yes, yes!" broke in Mr. Rockefeller, hurriedly. "That is very interesting, but—"

"I have other visions that I desire to tell you about," said the man. "You really must listen to them. Another time I saw—"

Mr. Rockefeller again desperately interrupted: "I'm sorry that we haven't got sufficient time to listen to your very interesting experiences, my friend," he said. "You see this discussion is for members only."

Looking sorely disappointed and very much lost in feelings, the man of visions tenderly replaced his manuscript in his pocket and sat down.

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before running to a neighbor's after their mother. The child in the meantime walked back into the burning building just as the mother arrived and heard the death cries. There was no insurance on the building.

EYE TO BUSINESS.

England Wants to Sell Us Coal in Case of Strike.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., April 2.—Londoners are of the impression that coal is going up in America as a result of the coal strike and have an eye out for business. A merchant in the English metropolis has called C. J. McArthur, a local wholesale dealer, that he will sell him coal delivered at the Atlantic ports at a price that will enable him to sell it at a profit at \$3.00 a ton after duty has been paid. The wholesale price of soft coal here is \$3.40 a ton and it has not yet been advanced as a result of the strike.

Chaney—Wilkerson.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WYLLIESBURG, VA., April 2.—Miss Maudie Chaney and a Richmond young man were married Saturday afternoon at the residence of the Rev. H. C. Ruffen, of Keysville, Va. After the marriage ceremony the bride and groom returned to the bride's home, where a wedding supper was served. The bride is a very popular and handsome young lady of Wylliesburg, and the groom is a young man of the same town. They will be at home to their many friends at the father's residence.

Fire in Amherst.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

AMHERST, VA., April 2.—A. F. Burks' dwelling house burned yesterday. Very little was saved. Mr. and Mrs. Burks, both of them very old and feeble, were alone, consequently there was no help to get anything out. It was a new house, and very recently built. The loss falls heavily upon Mr. Burks, a very old and feeble man.

Valley Convocation.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., April 2.—The Valley Convocation of the Episcopal Church convened here to-night in Rev. William D. Smith's church. Rev. J. H. Ellis, of Elkton, delivered the opening sermon. Tuesday evening Rev. John G. Meem, missionary to Brazil, will be the speaker, and Wednesday night, the closing, Archdeacon Tyler is to speak.

Married in Washington.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—Marriage licenses have been issued to the following: A. Carrington, of Norfolk, Va., and Ella S. Brown, of this city; Eugene F. Dresser, of Rochelle, Ill., and Nanette Underwood, of Wagnersville, N. C.; Benjamin L. Carleton, of Essex county, Va., and Carrie H. Browning, of Culpeper county, Va.

Many Dogs Killed.

The Committee on Police, Elections and Schools met in the City Hall last night to regular monthly session. The committee reported 15 dogs impounded during the month of March, of which number 12 were killed. The pay-roll was audited and found to be paid, and sundry bills were approved.

The Committee on Cemeteries was to have met yesterday evening at 5:30, but failed of a quorum.

NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

To Consider Again Subject of Headwear for Police Force.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

To Take Every Possible Precaution Against Spread of Smallpox—Elks' Installation.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, 1102 Hull Street.

The Police Commissioners, in their meeting last night, did not consider the filling of a supposed vacancy in the police force, as no vacancy has yet been created. Officer M. J. Moore has not yet sent in his resignation as a member of the police force, in order to take up the position of sanitary inspector. When he takes this action a meeting of the Police Commissioners will then be called, and the vacancy created will be filled.

The subject of headwear for the police again came up for consideration last night, and the commissioners appointed a committee to recommend a uniform hat for the force. The Committee on Rules and Regulations was ordered to make a revision of them and to present the result to the commissioners at their next meeting.

Special Council Meeting.

A special meeting of the City Council will be called to-night by President Wakefield to consider the issuance of the \$20,000 for the establishment of a clean water plant. It is said that a number of citizens will be present to urge that the Council decide to advertise for bids for the contract to erect the plant. But it has been pointed out by one who is in good position to know, that as the device to be used in the plant is patented it cannot be used by any company but that by which it is controlled. It is thought that the ordinance for the issuance of the bonds will be passed with little or no opposition to-night, as there are now no technicalities in the way to make its passage illegal.

Elks' Installation.

The Manchester Lodge of Elks had a highly entertaining time last night, when they installed the officers recently elected. State Deputy Preston Belvin, of Richmond, was present to conduct the ceremonies of the installation. All the members of the lodge were present, and they whiled away the evening in such merry fashion as generally characterizes their meetings. After the installation a "German tea" was served, and music from those who are so inclined helped considerably in the enjoyment of the evening.

Precautions Against Diseases.

The health authorities are taking the most stringent precautions against the spread of the dread smallpox, and yesterday eighteen of the associates of Julius Jefferson, the negro who was found Sunday with all the signs of the disease on him, were hauled up in the Police Court and all ordered to be vaccinated to prevent the spread of the infection. And proprietors of all industries in the city are to make every employee show a certificate of recent vaccination or give up their position. Every person who will be taken by the authorities to prevent the spread of the disease, and it is said that little apprehension may be felt, as they have the disease well under control.

Revival Services.

Rev. J. B. Cook, pastor of Clifton Street Baptist Church, yesterday started the revival services in that church and was received with large congregations both morning and night. There were five conversions in the morning and several more at night. Rev. J. Dwyer, pastor of Jefferson Street Church, of Roanoke, Va., will assist Mr. Cook through the rest of the two weeks. A special choir has been organized, and music will be made a feature of the services.

Banner Was Awarded.

At the regular quarterly meeting of the Manchester Methodist Sunday School Conference held Sunday afternoon in Fifth Street Church, the banner for the largest attendance for the quarter ending March 31st, was awarded to the West End Church. A very large audience was present, and all enjoyed the music rendered by the Fifth Street choir. The sermon of the day was given by Rev. J. J. Goffe, of Central Church, who made a deep impression on his hearers.

Personals and Briefs.

Mr. Turpin, of Eleventh and Perry Streets, is reported to be ill with pneumonia.

Mr. Joseph Brice, of Wilmington, N. C., who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Blankenship, in Swansboro, has returned home.

Mrs. Edwin C. Price is in Norfolk visiting her sister, Mrs. George White.

As to-day is the festival of the negro for another year, the quarter of emancipation of the Old Dominion.

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Mr. A. M. Fowler is reported to be critically ill in his home in Swansboro.

Miss Mary Rudd, of Dwyer, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Manchester, has returned.

Brook Avenue Mission.

The series of meetings which have been going on at the Brook Avenue Mission during the last week, from March 25th to April 1st, inclusive, have been productive of a great deal of good. Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather, the attendance was good, and there were eleven professions of faith. Rev. C. H. Pratt, pastor of the Hogo Memorial Church, delivered some powerful and earnest sermons. He was assisted in the last service by several students from the Brook Avenue Mission Seminary.

The Brook Avenue Mission Seminary, which is under the charge of the Grace Street Presbyterian Church, and has done much good since its establishment several years ago.

Lost Only Son.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BALTIMORE, MD., April 2.—Mr. and Mrs. James L. Clark, near this place, lost their only son yesterday, aged sixteen years, after an illness of a little over a week. The funeral will be held at 3 o'clock at the home place. Much sympathy is manifested for the sorrowing family.

MANY IMMIGRANTS.

Nearly 4,000 Aliens Arrive at Locust Point Pier.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BALTIMORE, MD., April 2.—The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Immigration Commission, which was held at Locust Point, as there arrived at the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company's

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